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### **HONOLULU TRIATHLON TRAFFIC CONTROL WORKED THIS YEAR**

The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Honolulu City Council Transportation Committee, Councilmember Todd Apo (West Oahu) and Councilmember Charles K. Djou (Waikiki, East Honolulu), praised the organizers of this year's Honolulu Triathlon on traffic control and the overall event organization. Both councilmembers also personally experienced this year's triathlon traffic control as competitors in the event.

"This year's event saw far less traffic disruption and proceeded much more smoothly than last year's triathlon. I personally swam and rode the bike route and I am happy at how much better things went this year," stated Councilmember Apo. "We talked to the race organizers about finding a different weekend next year to further reduce traffic and business impacts."

Councilmember Djou added, "So often the media focuses on what goes wrong, but I think this is one thing that worked well. I commend both the event organizers and the work of HPD on minimizing traffic interruptions. I am also pleased the event showcased to the world that Ala Moana Beach and Waikiki are safe and as beautiful as ever after the March sewage dump."

This year, the triathlon bike route was cleared by 9:30 a.m., compared to 12:30 p.m., last year. Last year's event caused significant traffic disruption along Kalaniana'ole Highway. This year's event, which changed its course to a westward direction from Ala Moana to the Arizona Memorial, saw minimal traffic disruptions, even on a busy Mothers' Day morning.

Councilmembers Apo and Djou competed in the triathlon together as a relay team. Together they completed the Honolulu Triathlon in just under 3 hours.

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